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SUBJECT: CARLTON CENTRE EXPLOSION

1. AN EXPLOSION WHICH TOOK PLACE DEC 7 IN CARLTON CENTRE RESTAURANT (CARLTON CENTRE IS SHOWPIEC OF JOHANNESBURG) HAS BEEN DESCRIBED BY JUSTICE MINISTER KRUGER AS "POSSIBLY THE BEGINNING OF URBAN TERRORISM", WHO WARNED SHOPKEEPERS AND URBAN RESIDENTS TO BE ON LOOKOUT FOR FURTHER TERRORISTS ACTS.

2. INCIDENT INVOLVED PROBABLY DERANGED BLACK WHO WALKED IN AND SET OFF SMALL EXPLOSIVE IN HIS HAND, CRACKING WINDOWS AND BLOWING OFF HIS FINGERS. OTHERWISE, DAMAGE WAS SLIGHT ALTHOUGH OTHER EXPLOSIVES WERE FOUND ON HIS PERSON.

3. COMMENT: IT IS PROBABLY PREMATURE TO CONSIDER THIS AS AN "OPENING SHOT" IN CAMPAIGN OF URBAN TERRORISM AS DESCRIBED BY KRUGER. WE CONSIDER IT MORE LIKELY ACTION POLITICALLY UNMOTIVATED OF INDIVIDUAL, BUT NONETHELESS THANKS TO MINISTER KRUGER'S INTERPRETATION, IT MAY SERVE AS AN EXAMPLE TO WOULD-BE URBAN TERRORISTS.
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